

Remarks

A preliminary amendment to the claims is attached. Claims 6, 10, 16, 22, 25, 28 and 29 have been amended. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the claim amendments prior to initiation of substantive examination of the application.

Responsive to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Group I is elected for current prosecution. Further to the preliminary amendment, several additional claims originally associated by the Examiner with other groups have been amended to now depend variously upon independent or dependent claims of Group I as originally identified by the Examiner. Therefore, Group I claims for current prosecution are 1-20, 22, 25, 28 and 29.

Claims other than Group I have been withdrawn.

Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the references cited on the attached Information Disclosure Statement, signature and return of the Information Disclosure Statement. Because this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to a first substantive Official Action, no fee is due.

Having satisfied the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant respectfully requests immediate substantive examination of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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